<u>REMARKS</u>

To overcome the objection to the continuation data set forth in a telephone communication of July 20, 2004, the specification is hereby amended and a corrected double-column sheet is provided. The examiner requested the Applicants make this change by filing an amendment, rather than the examiner making the change by examiner's amendment.

No extension of time is deemed necessary to make the above change because no requirement for this formal amendment was set forth in the final Rejection.

In light of the foregoing, a Notice of Allowance is respectfully solicited.

If any issues remain which may best be resolved through a telephone communication, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned at the local Washington, D.C. telephone number listed below, in order to expedite consideration and allowance of this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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